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My dear Sir;

I have just returned to the city & rec'd your communication. It found its way to the Editorial desk, & was rejected by Mr. O'Good who has exclusive control of the Inquirer. I do what I can to give to our paper an auth. flavor, & to keep it distinctly, & not actively, on the right side - but I presume my notions of what is right & expedient in regard to the whole subject would not satisfy you - The

[P. P. C's lecture]

tone of Mr. Carpenter's article seems to me reprehensible & unchristian. You must have found out by this time, that very good & conscientious men can hold very wrong & even what seem to us, very inhuman opinions. With decided & avowed convictions against the policy & the righteousness of the Fugitive Slave Law, I hold myself no more honest, courageous or Christian than some other ministers & men who support it.

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With entire respect
Yours, sincerely
A. A. Bellows

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